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At Ningpo, on 23rd Jan., 1908, the
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DEATHS.

Remedios.—On January 23, at 11a
Minghong Road, Shanghai, Mrs. RUZALIA
P. RICO a Remedios (widow of the late
Mr S. B. Remedios).

At the Municipal Hospital, Shanghai, on
the 23rd January, 1908, JAMES BAGUA-
RINO, aged 48 years.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting.

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident
Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at Co's
Office.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable House-
hold Furniture, &c., at No. 13, Caine
Road.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Peninsular not cleared at 4
p.m. on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, January 30:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 39, Morrison Hill Road.

5.30 p.m.—Annual Meeting of Hongkong
Benevolent Society at City Hall.

FRIDAY, January 31:—

Noon—Meeting of Humphreys Estate &
Finance Co., Ltd., at Co's Registered
Office.

MONDAY, February 3:—

Exchange Bank's Office.
Goods per Socotra not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 7:—

Regalia Dance at City Hall.

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gain a name for charity, the assumption only half hidden is that sooner or later, if money is borrowed, there will be complications and the first thing that will happen then is that foreigners will come in and forcefully take a permanent hold upon the riches of the country, and the liberties of the nation.

The writer in question asserted that the
arrangements of the Government of
China make it very unwise for the
Viceroys to borrow money in order to
open public works. He pointed out,
however, that business people might
borrow foreign capital if they liked. But
when he takes up the question of gov-
ernment borrowing, he looks at it from
another point of view altogether.

Viceroys change every three years. How
can it be assumed that as they follow
one another they will all be willing to
give their best thought to a concern
that a predecessor has started, especially
if there be approaching difficulties?

There is of course something in this
argument. It would mean that unless
there is central pressure brought to
bear, and the freedom of the Provincials
considerably curtailed, which, appar-
ently, is not considered desirable, there can
be no guarantee offered that there will
be a continuance of policy, and there-
fore what is begun by one, may be left
by his successor to look after itself.

Whilst, however, the writer proceeds in
this vein, and so discourages any hope
that the people of the Canton Province
will be eager to borrow, either to open
mines, or to build railways, there is
again a covert hint that money is avail-
able for these things if the Government
is willing to accept it. But what is the
price demanded? And where is the
money that may be available? The
money is in the pockets of the well-to-do
Chinese, and it is thought, appar-
ently, that there is enough there to meet
the demands of the hour. The price to
be paid for getting the money out of the
Chinese purses is giving more freedom
to the people themselves to manage
their own affairs. Here we have the
key to the problem. Amidst all the
discussion there is first of all the deter-
mination that foreign money shall not
be used if it can be avoided. There is
a wish that public works shall be gone
on with if possible. On the other hand
there is the bait held out to the Govern-
ment, although only half expressed, that
if the Government will but give the
people the power to manage their own
affairs there will be funds available and
all needs will be met. There seems to
be no probability at present that the
Government of China will so far depart
from the traditions of the past, and so
there is little likelihood that the people
will open their pockets to the Govern-
ment. In the adjoining Province, there-
fore, apparently, things must go on in-
definitely as they have been in the past,
and the coal, for example, that is needed for
all the steam launches must be brought
from Japan. So money that might have
gone into the pockets of the villagers,
who could work the mines, must still
be forwarded to Japan, as at present
coal is an absolute necessity for the
life of the people. The outlook seems
sufficiently hopeless but education is
spreading and the time will come when
China will gladly accept the co-operation
of the foreigner as Japan has accepted
it and is still accepting it to-day.

His Excellency the Governor has been
impressing upon local scholars the im-
portance of "form." Now Mr R. W.
Mansfield, the Consul-General at Canton,
comes into the arena with advice on
some similar lines. In the course
of an address at the Honan College of
the Ellis Kadoorie Chinese Schools
Society he said:—We English have
great belief in the good influence of our
public schools on the characters of boys.
A great school, such as this, is rapidly
becoming like a small republic. All
pupils start on an equal footing and
being the son of a high official or of a
very rich or a very distinguished man
makes no difference in the way he is
treated by his teachers and his com-
rades. It is his own personal value as
a good scholar, a proficient in athletic
sports, or as possessed of a natural
power of taking the lead among his
fellows, which counts. If the standard

of the school be a high one the idler, the
coward, the liar or the cruel boy is look-
ed down on by all, and the boy who
throws all his energies into both work
and play, who speaks the truth regard-
less of consequences, who protects the
weak from oppression and obeys his
superiors, is honoured and rewarded,
and these qualities are those which will
be of benefit to him in after life more
even than mere proficiency than book-
learning and the sciences. The pride
taken by a boy in the honour and
success of his school is a worthy pride,
and the boy who in after life carries out
the precepts learnt there becomes the
man who develops into the true patriot
and statesman.

NOISE.

Hongkong Hotel Co. Complain.

Lam Woo, the contractor, erecting the
new building for Messrs Jardine, Matheson
and Co., Ltd., at the corner of Pender
Street and Des Voeux Road, was summoned
at the Magistrate's by the Hongkong Hotel
Company, Ltd., for creating a noise
during the night. The summons was
taken out under an old Ordinance and
Mr Looker, who appeared for the
Hotel, said that they would be satisfied
if Lam Woo would undertake not to
start work until 6.30 in the morn-
ing, and would then do everything possible
to avert noise, and if he was bound over
to come up for judgment when called upon.

Mr Grist, who represented Lam Woo,
agreed to the suggestion and the contractor
was bound over in the sum of \$100 person-
al bond to appear when called upon.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange is very
active and all round rises are reported.

It is reported that Russian tobacco has
become popular and is replacing Japanese
and Turkish products in Liaoning.

On her voyage from Manila the steamer
Rubi met a moderate, to fresh monsoon,
with choppy sea. The weather was fine.

A Vladivostok telegram states that
General Matviyev, the new Commander-
in-Chief of Vladivostok, arrived at that
Port on January 14.

Leave of absence, on private affairs, to
England, has been granted to Lieutenant
E. M. Bonham, A.D.C., from 25th
January to 15th May, 1908.

The Dai Nihon Brewery Company has
decided to extend its operations to Taiwan
and Chemulpo and for that reason has in-
creased its capital to ¥4,200,000.

Lieutenant J. R. C. Henthote, 2nd Bn.
Cameron Highlanders, will officiate as
A.D.C. to the General Officer commanding
the Troops in South China from 25th
instant.

Leave of absence, in extension, has been
granted to 2nd Lieutenant A. Macdoff
and H. C. Methuen, 2nd Bn. Cameron
Highlanders, from 26th March to 8th
April, 1908.

The 2nd Battalion Cameron High-
landers will commence their musketry
course on Thursday next, 30th instant, two
Companies at a time encamping near Kow-
loon City Rifle Range.

It is reported that Mr Tung Shing-ho,
the great Newchwang merchant whose
recent bankruptcy created such a stir in
the commercial world, has committed sui-
cide in prison.

The N. D. L. steamer Zeitan arrived
last evening from Japan, via Shanghai
homeward bound. She carried 97 saloon
passengers, 49 for Hongkong. Her cargo
is general merchandise.

The British steamer Zingara, which re-
cently stranded in the Shimonski Straits,
arrived at Nagasaki on January 19 from
Moji for repairs, which will be executed at
the Mitsui Bishi Dockyard and Engine
Works.

Two women and a man were charged
with kidnapping to-day. The women were
sent to goal for 6 months each, and the
man was discharged. The leading woman
had four hours in the stocks, in addition
to the sentence of goal.

The Victoria Cinematograph is giving
two performances on behalf of the poor
under the charge of the Society of St.
Vincent de Paul. One takes place this
evening at 7 p.m. and a special attractive
programme has been arranged for the
occasion. As it is for the benefit of the
poor, a good house is expected.

We are informed that subject to audit
the Directors of the Hongkong, Canton
and Mexico Steamship Co., Ltd. will pay a
dividend of \$1.25, write off steamers and
properties \$25,000, transfer to depreciation
and Insurance Fund \$25,000, place to
Special Repairs Fund \$20,000 and carry
the balance of \$16,437.01 forward.

Reading is good, seeing is better, but
drinking Imperial Draught Beer is best.
Try it.—ADVT.

CHAOTIC CHINA.

When China emerges from the darkness,
purplery, and peril that now shroud her
fortunes, and faces the new conditions as a
nation with a high destiny and large ex-
pectations, prepared to take rank with the
leading peoples of the world, the stage at
which she is now arrived may come to be
regarded as critical; the turning point
when her fate that for a while hung in the
balance was settled and the tide in her
affairs that led on to fortune was taken at
the flood. To glance beneath the surface
of things social and political is to wonder
at the cohesion and resisting power of the
fabric in which they are held together. If
in the order of development a new nation
emerges and by bloodless revolutions the
old order changes giving place to the new
coming events will form one of the most
instructive factors in the world's history.

Let the following from recent issues of
native papers illustrate the state of
provincial administration in some of the
more advanced sections of the country.

They are taken almost at random and their
value lies in their representative typical
character. From a village near Shunshing
on the West River two sons of one of the
wealthier residents, were secured by
robbers who held them for about five
weeks until the ransom demanded—\$7000
—was duly paid, when this was done, or so
arranged for that no doubt remained as to
the payment, the boys were arrayed in
new clothes of the choicest kind and
at a place agreed upon were
handed back to their kinsmen. In
another instance a lad stolen and held
for blackmail, which in this instance was
made excessively high, was traced by a
police spy to a cave in the heart of lonely
mountains in a region infested by robber
bands. The attack on the cave succeeded,
the robbers taken at a disadvantage fought
well and the losses were by no means
entirely on their side. They were, how-
ever, vanquished, and the boy rescued. He
had been well treated during his cave so-
journ in the hands of his captors.

A recent well-informed article states
with no little perspicuity and cogency,
the grievances from which the people
are suffering owing to the high prices
of provisions, the disturbed state of
the country, and the inability of the
proper authorities to meet the forces
arrayed against them in the form of secret
societies, insurrection movements, and the
association of the lawless in a strength to
render good government impossible. This
statement, naming its instances and illus-
trations, adduces the price of firewood in
Canton, an article of necessity in every
family, however poor. Firewood is now
brought long distances down the West,
North, and East rivers from districts
where mountains are still cloth

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE SOCIALISTIC WAVE.

Opposed by Labour Members.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, January 27.
It is expected the fifteen millionaires in the House of Commons will join the liberal-labourites in view of the socialistic resolutions passed at the Hall Conference.

PORTUGAL'S WOES.

A Plot Discovered.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, January 27.
Plotters at Lisbon have unsuccessfully attempted to dislodge the troops. Quantities of weapons have been seized and the troops are now confined to barracks.

The Premier's house is guarded from all comings.

TURKEY AND PERSIA.

London, January 28.

A Russian telegram from Tahrir, says that the Turkish Commander has temporarily ordered Prince Firman to leave Sijbuluk, saying that it is Turkish territory.

SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN.

London, January 26.
Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is confined to his room with a chill, and was unable to attend the Privy Council at Windsor, to consider the King's speech.

M. DELCASSE'S SPEECH.

London, January 26.
M. Delcasse's speech is the absorbing topic of French parliamentary and is generally regarded as expressing the views of the majority.

The debate strikes the one discordant note, declaring that M. Delcasse was inopportune.

The German press reserves comment, confident that re-assuring speeches will be made by M. Clemenceau and M. Pichon.

It declares however that the network of M. Delcasse's alliances, is united solely by hatred of Germany.

ALLEGED MURDER.

An ex-labourer of Yau-nai has been detained by the police in connection with a case of alleged murder at a house near the Playa East Hotel. Two Chinese women lived there and during last night, three men entered the place, for it is presumed, the purpose of robbery. The women made a noise, and to keep them quiet the intruders put ropes, or cord of some sort, round their necks. In one case death was caused, and the police are searching for the culprits. The Chinese ex-convict has so far come under their suspicions and he will have to explain his movements.

HONAM COLLEGE.

Distribution of Prizes.

On Saturday the annual distribution of prizes took place at the Honam College of the Ellis Kadocia Chinese Schools Society. Mr Lau Chu Pak, hon. secretary, presided and there were also present Mr R. W. Mansfield, C.M.G., H.B.M. Consul-General for Canton, Mr Ellis Kadocia, the Pun Yu magistrate and many others. The headmaster, Mr James Moore, in his report for the 1907-8 session said that owing to the building of the new wing working space had been much limited. Now, however, everything was working smoothly and successfully. The average number on the roll during the session was 448 and the average daily attendance 409, an increase over the preceding session of over 20 per cent.

After the prizes had been presented by Mr Mansfield the usual votes of thanks brought the proceedings to a close.

BOTTLED down into one word, the happy and successful life is "wholesomeness," Imperial Draught Beer is wholesome.

HOW DIPHTHERIA IS CONTRACTED.

ONE often hears the expression, "My child caught a severe cold," which developed into diphtheria, when the truth was that the cold had simply left the little one particularly susceptible to the wandering diphtheria germ. When Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given it quickly cures the cold and lessens the danger of diphtheria or any other germ disease being contracted. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Land Reclamation Company.

The sixth annual meeting of the Hongkong Land Reclamation Company, Limited, was held at 11.15 to-day at the Company's offices, Victoria Buildings. The Hon. Mr H. Kewick was in the chair and there were also present Messrs E. Shellin, A. J. Raymond, C. P. Chater, Ho Tung, J. C. Poler, H. N. Mody, J. Orange, A. Shelton Hooper, Ho Fook, Ho Kom Tong and Lo Cheung Shui, H. Percy Smith, Mr A. Haupt, E. L. Hughes and M. S. Northcott (Secretary).

Mr Northcott read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for the past week we may, I think, take them as read. There is little if anything in the accounts before you, calling for comment. The decrease in interest is due to one of our mortgages having been paid off early in the year, a portion of this money being required for the works going on in the reclamation of Kowloon Marine Lot 40. The decline in rents is due as was explained to you at the last general meeting, to the fact of the Admiralty having given up their tenancy of the coal storage grounds at Yau-nai, the frontage of this property being now in course of reclamation. This work is nearing completion and will put you in possession of some further 4,000,000 square feet of land. Our houses continue to be well occupied, there being few vacant floors in the block and they are in good repair. No sales of land have been effected during the past twelve months but some enquiry has arisen for one of your Island lots which your Directors hope may result in a sale. Meanwhile we are able to maintain our dividend of seven per cent the payment of which will absorb some \$82,400, of the balance brought forward from 1906, and to carry forward the sum of \$287,410. This gives a guarantee of a like dividend for some years to come and it will be within your recollection that it was with this end in view that your Directors carried forward at the end of 1905 the substantial sum of some \$383,000. Before formally moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to afford any further information which may be desired.

There were no questions and the report and statement of accounts were adopted on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Haupt.

The appointment of Mr E. Shellin as director, vice Mr D. M. Nesim, was confirmed on the motion of Mr Orange, seconded by Mr Haupt.

Messrs Shellin and Ho Tung were re-elected as directors on the motion of Mr Haupt, seconded by Mr Hooper.

Messrs W. H. Potts and A. O. D. Gourdin were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr Haupt, seconded by Mr Haupt.

The Chairman: That is all the business of the meeting; thank you for your attendance, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

West Point Building Company.

The nineteenth ordinary meeting of the West Point Building Company, Limited, was held at the Company's offices at 11.30 a.m. The Hon. Sir Paul Chater was in the chair and there were also present:—Hon. Mr Henry Kewick, Messrs A. J. Raymond, A. G. Wood, J. M. E. Machado, J. Orange, G. C. Moxon, F. E. Ellis, Ho Tung, Ho Kom Tong, F. Maichand and A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, I propose that we should take the report and accounts as read. The net profit for the year is \$51,821.84 against \$52,546.65 of that of the previous year, which will enable us to pay the same dividend, viz., \$4.10 per share and carry forward \$1,541.31, being \$22.84 more than we brought forward last year. The accounts are practically identical with those of the previous year, except that in 1907 we expended in the upkeep of the property \$1,632.31, which is \$617.32 more than that spent under that heading in 1906. The lease of the property has another 3 years to run so we may confidently expect to be able to pay the same dividend which you are now asked to approve.

There being no questions the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr Machado seconded and the motion was carried.

The appointment of the Hon. Mr Kewick as director was confirmed on the motion of Mr Orange, seconded by Mr Ho Tung.

Sir Paul Chater and Mr Wood were re-elected directors on the motion of Mr Moxon, seconded by Mr Orange.

Mr May was re-elected Auditor on the motion of Mr Machado, seconded by Mr Ho Kom Tong.

The Chairman:—That is all the business of the meeting; thank you for your presence. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

Land Investment Company.

The nineteenth ordinary annual meeting of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited, was held at noon to-day, in the Company's offices.

The Hon. Mr H. Kewick was in the chair and there were also present:—Sir Paul Chater, Messrs A. Fuchs, G. Friedland, E. Shellin, H. P. White, A. J. Raymond, J. Orange, A. Haupt, G. B. Sayer, W. Farlane, J. M. E. Machado, H. Percy Smith, A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting and the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen, in submitting the annual report and accounts for the past year I propose to adopt the usual course of taking them as read. A year ago, my predecessor in the chair, informed you that the then

existing conditions of the property market precluded the Company from disposing of any of its property and I now have to repeat that statement with respect to the period under review, but we hope that this state of affairs may only be of a temporary nature, and that with a revival of trade generally we may again add to our annual profits a return derived from sales of property.

The amount at present invested in mortgages is 4 lacs (\$400,000) less than in previous accounts, whilst we have about half a lac (\$50,000) more invested in our properties than was the case in 1906. The effect of this is to reduce the receipts derived from interest on mortgages by about \$28,000.00, but it also reduces the amount payable for interest by \$13,000.

Coming to the principal revenue-earning source of the Company, rents of property, notwithstanding the depression in the property market, we have been enabled to increase our revenue under this heading from \$428,558.01 to \$441,086.22, a result which, I am sure, you will share your Directors' satisfaction, and I must point out that this has been attained notwithstanding that a large part of our capital stands invested in godown property in the Eastern part of the town, whence the business has been diverted westwards and to the Kowloon side of the harbour. The other class of property so largely owned by us, Chinese tenement houses, shows signs of improvement, the number of vacant tenements being less than in the previous year, the improvement in this respect being noticeable more in the upper domestic tenements than in the ground floors principally used as shops.

The large first class European godown property which we own in the centre of the business part of the town is gradually filling up and we have now only three floors unoccupied.

The whole of the Company's property is well kept up and this accounts for the increase in expenditure under the heading of repairs.

The troubles which we have had to contend with have been a decrease in the Chinese population, the large increase in the cost of building, the harassing Sanitary and Building laws in force, and stringent tightness of money. When you consider these, I trust that you will find that the Company has done satisfactorily.

Before formally moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be glad to answer any questions you may wish to put.

There being no questions the report and accounts were adopted on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Orange.

Mr Machado proposed the confirmation of Messrs Fuchs, Friedland and Shellin as directors.

Mr Fuchs seconded and the motion was carried.

Mr Haupt proposed the re-election of Messrs Fuchs and Friedland as auditors.

Mr Sayer seconded and the motion was carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business of the meeting. Dividend warrants will be ready on application.

THE LAUNCH AT THE DOCKS.

At the launching of the N. D. L. towboat Cyclop at the Kowloon Docks yesterday Messrs Messner, who gracefully performed the ceremony, was presented with a handsome gold bracelet by the Dock Company. At the conclusion of the launching the party—consisting of Mr and Mrs Messner, Mr Mitchell, acting chief manager of the Docks, Mr Graham, Mrs and Miss Lambert, Mrs Hand, Mrs and Miss Ritchie, Mr and Mrs von Reigen, Mr P. Hermeling, Mrs Sonnenblum, Mrs Klebs, Mrs Dewin, Messrs Nielson, Friedland, Lambersky, Wandels, Alan, and several others—drank success to the vessel, and happy speeches were made by Mr Mitchell, Mr von Reigen, Mr Friedland, and Mr Graham. The ceremony, particularly as it took place on the anniversary of the German Emperor's birthday, was a very auspicious one.

RAUB MINES.

Messrs E. S. Kadocia and Co. are in receipt of telegraphic information from Singapore advising them that the crushing of the Raub-Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., for the past period yielded 1,071 ozs. gold from 5,984 tons stone.

SMALLPOX IN JAPAN.

The small-pox epidemic continues to cause alarm in Japan. On January 16 and 17 eighty-eight cases were reported in Kobe, forty-nine at Nakamachi and seventy-nine at Hio-go. Energetic measures are being taken to cope with the disease, and a regular system of domiciliary visits by police has been instituted in order to discover all unreported cases. On the 16th instant 120 policemen visited 19,088 houses having 40,029 inmates and found twenty concealed cases of the disease. Houses to house visits are also being paid to ensure vaccination for everyone.

A note to the slender person is Imperial Draught Beer.—ADVT.

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A SOLICITOR'S COSTS.

In the Supreme Court, this-morning, before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise (Pulao Judge) an action was brought by the Victoria Dispensary against W. H. Mannion to recover the sum of \$12.93 for goods sold and delivered. Defendant had paid part of this amount into Court, and denied further liability. Mr. M. J. D. Stephens represented the plaintiff, and the defendant appeared in person.

Mr. Stephens informed his Lordship that the matter had not proceeded any further since it was previously called on. Defendant had paid into Court a certain amount, but he had not paid in the fee. "Perhaps," Mr. Stephens suggested, "he has something to say this morning."

Defendant:—What I have to say is this:—last Friday it was a question of costs. Had I paid up \$4.17 the case would have been withdrawn. I went to Messrs. Watson's head office—

His Lordship:—Why didn't you go to Mr. Stephens?

Mr. Mannion:—I went to the head office and paid a sum of money.

His Lordship:—I did not hear anything of this; besides the Victoria Dispensary is another firm.

Defendant:—It belongs to A. S. Watson and Co.

His Lordship:—You had better pay the money again; you wouldn't do what I told you.

Defendant:—I found that Watson's Kowloon branch owed me some money; so I told them to pay it to the Victoria Dispensary instead of to me.

His Lordship:—Where does Mr. Stephens come in?

Defendant:—I did not deal with Mr. Stephens; I dealt with Watsons.

His Lordship:—The money is not paid, and I would ask your Lordship to allow me costs for two attendances.

His Lordship (to defendant):—You had better do what you were told next time. There will be judgment for \$4.75 on the writ, two attendances, and the money paid in will be paid out.

SPORTING.

Training Notes.

There was quite a large turn-out of early risers at the Course this morning. The weather was an improvement on what we have been experiencing of late, though the course can do with a lot more sunshine yet.

Mr. Johnstone, who will ride the Jardine ponies, and Mr. Hayes, who will pilot Mr. Kadocia's ponies, were both on the course this morning for the first time, having arrived from Shanghai yesterday.

A great noticeable improvement this year is the installation of electric light in the coffee room and throughout the stables.

Both courses were in use this-morning, but it will be noticed I have only marked those gallops done on the inside one, all the others being done on the outside course.

The following were the times taken:—Clark's Lowland, three quarters, 36, 1.11, 1.43.

Kirkcubbin (joined by Kirkpatrick at the half-mile), one mile and a half, 41, 1.18, 1.57, 2.34, 3.12, 3.48.

Moir's sub. Stanthmoor, three quarters, 39, 1.17, 1.49.

Halushie Chief, one mile and a quarter, 26, 1.12, 1.60, 2.26, 3.00.

Septima and Kingston, one mile, 37, 1.13, 1.47, 2.23. The former won by over a length.

Kirkcubbin, one mile, 36, 1.12, 1.48, 2.22.

Pilgrim and Cobler (inside course), one mile, last half, 37, 1.14.

Butterpunch, half-mile, 35, 1.09.

Muleator and Tumen, three-quarters, 45, 1.21, 1.54.

Kirkcubbin, with Johnstone up, one mile, 39, 1.16, 1.53, 2.30, 3.05.

Mohawk Chief, one mile and a quarter, 39, 1.17, 1.55, 2.33, 3.07.

Ditch and Repentance (inside course), one mile and a quarter, last mile, — 1.13, 1.49, 2.23.

Glenduff, half mile, 35, 1.08.

Trent and Sparkford, one mile, 37, 1.13, 1.50, 2.26.

Mainstay and Sunlight, three quarters, 33, 1.06, 1.43.

Palm Tree (inside course), one mile, full time, 2.18.

Cherokee Chief, one mile and a quarter, 37, 1.13, 1.49, 2.25, 2.58.

Chanticleer, three quarters, 37, 1.12, 1.44.

Kirkcubbin, one mile, 39, 1.17, 1.52, 2.27.

Diamond (inside course) one mile, last three-quarters, 36, 1.10, 1.42.

Mystic (inside course), one mile and a quarter, 40, 1.14, 1.50, 2.25, 2.57.

Pat and Springpatam, three quarters, 37, 1.12, 1.48.

Fleetfoot, Energy and Dalliance, three quarters, 35, 1.11, 1.44, the latter winning.

The Pigeon Show.

The annual pigeon show will be held in the Kowloon Hotel on Tuesday next, when it is expected that something approaching two hundred birds will be exhibited. We understand that Mr. J. D. Logan will exhibit his well-known collection of choice birds, and Mr. Owen, of the Kowloon Hotel, will also show a fine collection of Homers. The exhibition will be held in the garden of the hotel, the birds being placed on tables along the avenue. Though nothing definite has yet been decided upon it is possible that Lieutenant Macdonald, of the Cameron Highlanders, who has a reputation as a plover fancier, will not be judge. Lovers of music will have another opportunity of hearing the Cameron Highlanders' band and that in itself would be sufficient to ensure a large attendance. Mr. Frank Williams, who has taken over the management of the Kowloon Hotel, is looking after all arrangements and is making a good showing.

CHINA ASSOCIATION.

Work of the Hongkong Branch.

The annual meeting of the China Association is to be held on January 30, at 4 p.m., at the City Hall. Following is the annual report:—

The last report was issued in December, 1906, and the present is intended to cover the period from then until 31st December, 1907. The questions which have occupied the attention of the Committee have not been of so momentous a character as those dealt with last year, and to a great extent the work has consisted in giving our support and influence to representations made by other branches. The London Committee have not followed up their plan of last year of issuing an Interim Report; there is, therefore, attached to this Report copies of such correspondence exchanged during the year as may be of interest to our members. The following are the principal subjects which have come before the Committee:—

SAIMAN PIRACY.

Early in the year a communication was received that the British Government had, after consideration, declined to support the claim by the owners of the Saiman for consequential damages arising out of the Chinese piracy of their vessel on the 13th July, 1906. This decision was received with much regret by the Committee, as it was felt that only by enforcing an indemnity compensation could the Provincial Authorities be induced to take serious measures to suppress the pirates.

In consideration of the fact that the British Foreign Office took a lenient view of the Chinese Government's responsibility in the matter, it is not surprising to find that the small claim put forward for actual damage done, and a compensation for death and injuries, is still outstanding. The circumstances bears out all previous experience of Chinese official tactics, and justifies the argument employed by us in representing the case to the London Branch.

Now it only remains to hope that the expedition of placing a patrol of British gunboats and destroyers upon the Delta, until satisfied that the pirates have been driven to sea, will induce the Chinese authorities to take up a less obstinate attitude towards this particular claim and to provide against any recurrence of the troubles which led to it.

COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1907.

At the suggestion of the Shanghai branch representations were made to the local Government for several alterations in the proposed Ordinance, which have been practically adopted in the Ordinance as passed.

OPINION MONOPOLY.

A letter was received from the firms interested in the opium business calling attention to the fact that monopolies were being established at Nanking and other places in contravention of clauses V & X of the Treaty of Nanking of 1842. The Shanghai branch had already despatched the following telegram to London, on July 11th:—"Are informed Victory of Nanking arranging Opium Monopoly account Chinese Government. China 'resistance' Shanghai without expressing opinion. Opium question desired strong protest Foreign Office against monopoly. Apply David Sassoon & Co. full particulars." The committee resolved to wire London supporting the Shanghai telegram and also to support the local Chamber of Commerce in the action they were taking on the same lines.

INSPECTOR GENERALSHIP OF CUSTOMS.

In view of the reported retirement of Sir Robert Hart and the appointment of his successor, this committee, joined with the Shanghai branch in representing their views to the London Committee.

TENTH CENT OF OFFICE.

On the threatened closure of this office by the Hongkong Government a communication was received from the Tientsin branch of the China Association, asking the committee to petition against such closure, or at any rate to ask for an extension of time until the office had arrived which were posted at the date applying to the British Empire dependencies.

The Committee were informed by the Government that the reason of the closure was a financial one, as the estimated loss would be about \$7,000 a year and it was felt by this Committee that it would be unfair to the Hongkong taxpayers to ask them to pay this loss, the more so as the Hongkong post office would probably lose \$50,000 by the recent decision of the Postal Congress to raise the weight to be carried for 1d. to 1 oz. etc. It is sad to note that the Tientsin Municipal Council, has guaranteed the deficiency for a year, and that the office is to be kept open for that period. In the meantime Tientsin branch is bringing the matter before the Imperial Government with a view to the latter making good any deficit and in this they have been assured of the support of this branch.

CHAMBERLAINSHIP.

On the departure of Mr. Murray Stewart for home in April, Mr. A. G. Wood, was elected in his place.

COMMITTEE.

There have been several changes in the Committee. Mr. W. A. Cruickshank left for home, and Hon. Mr. Henry Kewick has taken his place. The Committee now consists of Mr. A. G. Wood (Chairman), Hon. Mr. Henry Kewick, Hon. Mr. E. Osborn, Messrs. D. R. Law, G. H. Medhurst, H. E. Tomkins, and A. S. D. Comhurst (Hon. Secretary).

The accounts show a credit balance of \$38.42.

A European police constable, named F. H. Turworth, recently stole a bottle of claret valued at 45 cents, from a basket belonging to His Excellency the Governor, at Singapore, and conducted himself to the prejudice of good order and discipline. He was sent to goal for six weeks.

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INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT OF KULANGSU, AMOY.

The following are the minutes of the annual meeting of the ratepayers, held at the Board Room, Kulangsu, on the 21st January, 1908:—Present:—Messrs. H. Bathurst, C. A. V. Bowra, C. J. Farrow, A. J. N. Fauque, J. S. Fenwick, H. Gotwaldt, J. G. Gutz, J. T. Hashimoto, B. Campbell, W. H. Howard, W. Kruse, D. MacLellan, Dr. H. McDougall, Dr. C. Merz, J. P. Morley, S. H. Nara, P. E. O'Brien, Butler, S. Okuyama, Dr. J. A. Otto, H. F. Rankin, A. Segawa, Rev. G. M. Wales, W. H. Wallace, E. Wyllie, W. Wilson, S. P. Yin, M. Yokoyama and the Secretary, Dr. C. Merz, Consul for Germany and Senior Consul, was in the Chair.

Mr. W. H. Wallace, Chairman of the 1907 Council, addressed the meeting as follows:—Gentlemen, With your permission I would like to make a few remarks before we proceed to pass the accounts. In the first place I wish to express our regret at the resignation of our Chairman, Mr. F. B. Marshall, who was always a willing and able worker, in the interests of the community. Turning to sanitary matters, I would call your earnest attention to the Health Officer's remarks in our Annual Report for 1907 concerning householders and the proper disposal of kitchen refuse, and also to the necessity of paying attention to kitchen drainage generally. In his report for 1906 the Health Officer said "householders would be greatly assisted, from a sanitary point of view, if they were to forbid their servants allowing kitchen refuse to flow into the public drains. To obviate this, householders should provide their kitchens with refuse tubs into which all kitchen refuse should be thrown. These tubs should be emptied daily under private arrangements."

Coming to accounts, I may mention that in our Budget for 1907 we anticipated a surplus of \$3984 which anticipation I am pleased to say has been fully borne out as we have a surplus of \$4390, although we paid out \$700 in excess of our Estimates, in order to get rid of a "white elephant" in the shape of rent on our market, thus compounding for a lump sum a liability which would have run on until September, 1909. This surplus, together with \$1237, the surplus of 1906, will however be fully required to enable us to complete payment for our new Municipal Buildings which we estimate will cost us \$28,000, and against which, as you know, we took power to issue debentures to the value of \$20,000. In connection with the "New Buildings Account" I would point out that the item "Payment to Contractors, &c." includes cost of site, viz., \$3700. Debentures issued stand at \$16,925 and the final call \$3705 will be made on 31st March next. I cannot conclude my remarks without saying how greatly we all, as C

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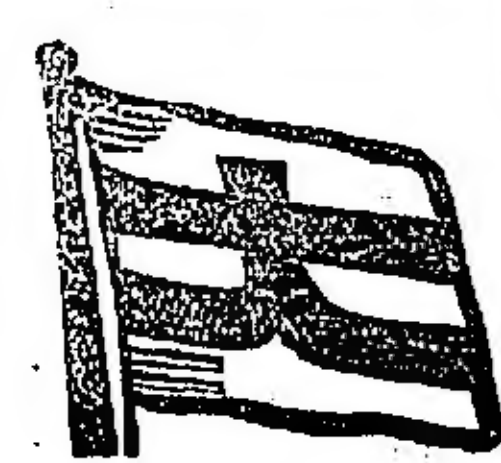
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sengers and Cargo for the above Ports, in
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in any case.

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signee's and the Company's representative
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presented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognized. No Claims will be ad-
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One Reason Why San Francisco
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Of recent years we have been compar-
atively free in this city from the wars of
highbinders, says the "San Francisco
Chronicle." We have them from time to
time, as all communities must in which
Chinese in considerable numbers are domi-
ciled, but they are not of daily occurrence,
as they used to be before immigration was
checked and when the Chinese were many
times more numerous than now. The
murder of Wong Fong on Webster street
the other day, however, brought old times
vividly to mind. The murderer shot him
like a dog and ran and ordinarily he would
have made his escape; as citizens who may
witness such a deed do not usually close in
on a fully armed highbinder who has just shot
his victim. It happened that among the
passers-by there were some unusually
resolute men, who pursued and captured
the murderer, and he will doubtless be
hanged.

There is a strain of fatalism in all
Asiaties which will lead them to do murder
under conditions which would prevent the
most desperate white men from attempting
it. When one Chinese has determined to
kill another he simply goes and does
it in the most cold-blooded way,
shooting him, if possible, from behind
and from some vantage ground
for escape, and taking his chances. They
are rarely captured and convicted, although
they are very likely to be dealt with in the
same fashion by the friends of the victim.
If one is caught and brought into court, if
one is convicted at all, it must usually be
because from his general appearance he
ought to be hanged, for the testi-
mony of the Chinese witnesses, which is
usually all that is available, is absolutely
worthless. They would give false testi-
mony to save a friend or to gain an enemy
with equal nonchalance. White witnesses
of murders are often at hand, but all they
can usually swear to is the murder.
They are seldom able to distinguish the
murderer from other Chinese. He shoots
and runs into a crowd of his countrymen
and is safe from the law.

The bad men of the Asiatic races are
bad in a sense and to a degree which is
beyond our comprehension. They fear
death far less than the whites and so take
chances which no white desperado would
take. They are organized for murder in
ways which we do not understand. So
long as we have Asiaties in any number we
shall have their desperados with the rest,
and their government within government,
which we will not endure. We want none
of them.

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5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

8.00 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes

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9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes

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Sausages—Naga Chuan ...	25
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Tongue Fresh—Naga ...	each 50
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Head—Naga ...	80
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Ham—Naga ...	20
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Kidneys—Naga ...	10
Tail—Naga ...	17
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Mutton Chop—Young ...	lb 24
Leg—Young ...	24
Shoulder—Young ...	12
Pigs' Chittings—Chi ...	54
Brains—Chi ...	per set 2
Feet—Chi ...	12
Fry—Chi ...	24
Head—Chi ...	22
Heart—Chi ...	10
Kidneys—Chi ...	10
Liver—Chi ...	30
Pork Chop—Chi ...	24
Leg—Chi ...	24
Fat or Lard—Chi ...	18
Shops' Head and Feet—Young ...	set 55
Heart—Young ...	each 6
Kidneys—Young ...	10
Liver—Young ...	12
Sucking Pigs—To Order—Chi ...	set 10
Beef—Young ...	18
Mutton—Young ...	24
Veal—Naga ...	20
Sausages—Naga ...	20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai ...	lb 30
Oapons, Large, Small—Sia ...	25
Ducks—A ...	20
Doves—Pan ...	each 15
Eggs, Hen—Kai ...	per dozen 24
Fowls, Canton—Kai ...	lb 20
Laluan—Hoi Nam Kai ...	27
Geese—Nga ...	20
Goose, Wild Shih—Sia ...	pair 20
Mus Deer—Wong ...	each 60
Gare, Shanghai—Tui ...	60
Partridge—Chi ...	pair 1.10
Pheasant—Shan Kai ...	pair 1.10
Pigeons, Canton—Pak ...	each 25
Holow—Hoi ...	pair 24
Quail—Um ...	10
Rice Birds—Wo ...	dozen 20
Snipe—Sa ...	each 20
Turkeys—Chok—Phor ...	each 60
Hon—Na ...	45
Wild Ducks, Sha—Shanghai ...	pair 60
Teal—Sai ...	60
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang ...	pair 60

Fish.

Barbel—Ka ...	lb 10
Bream—Bin ...	14
Quanton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi ...	14
Carp—Li ...	18
Catfish—Chik ...	16
Codfish—Mio ...	24
Crabs—Hoi ...	23
Crabs—Hoi ...	13
Crabs—Hoi ...	13
Dace—Wong ...	11
Dog Fish—Tui ...	8
Eels, Congor—Hoi ...	14
Free water—Tam ...	14
Eels, Yellow—Wong ...	24
Frogs—Tui ...	38
Garoupa—Sok ...	48
Gudgeon—Pak ...	12
Herrings—Tao ...	18
Halibut—Cheung ...	24
Labrus—Wong ...	18
Kosh—Wa ...	28
Lobsters—Lung ...	24
Mackerel—Chik ...	16
Mud Fish—Mong ...	24
Mullet—Chai ...	22
Oysters—Sang ...	20
Paw otfish—Kai ...	15
Perch—Tui ...	14
Pike—Fa ...	8
Plaice—Pan ...	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak ...	22
Pomfret, White, Pak ...	28
Sawna—Ming ...	28
Ray—Pel ...	9
Rock Fish—Sok ...	14
Scorch—Chik ...	28

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PEKING SYNDICATE
INDEMNITY.

PEKING, January 24.
The indemnity, to be paid to the Peking Syndicate in consideration of their mining concessions, will be raised by the Shansi gentry. Half of the amount agreed upon (the whole is, as reported before, 27,000,000 Taels) will be paid at once, balance in three instalments.

THE VICEROY'S PROJECTED
TOUR.

The "N. C. Daily News" understands that Viceroy Chang Jui-chin, of Canton, will make a tour of inspection next spring, of the cities and rivers under his jurisdiction for the purpose of finding out how the reforms concerning education, police, financial and political conditions are progressing. His knowledge will, without doubt, report the result of his tour to the Throne.

To-day's Advertisements

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 4, the CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY will be observed on MONDAY, the 30th proximo.
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 148

NOTICE

BY kind permission of Lieut. Col. N. S. H. Allen, O.B.E., and Officers 2nd (Queen's Own) Cameron Highlanders, the band of the Regiment will play at the entrance of the ORIENTAL HOTEL, 7 Queen's Road Central, during the CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY, on MONDAY, the 30th proximo.
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 148

NOTICE

INSF. F. ALLEN, will not hold himself responsible for any delays in mail by his wife, AUGUSTA ALLEN, from or heretofore this date.
F. ALLEN,
14, Queen's Rd. Central, Upper Floor.
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 154

NOTICE

C. KWONG WO of 28, Pottinger Street Central, Hongkong, having accepted the Tenancy of the Canton & H.M.S. KENT, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all Tenants and others concerned that the Commission Office and Ship's Company of H.M.S. KENT do not hold themselves responsible for any delays contracted by the said C. KWONG WO.
GEOFFREY A. MARASCAUX,
(Captain,
H.M.S. Kent)
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 149

NOTICE

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.
TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTER OFFICE, VICTORIA BARRACKS, until 12 o'clock noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th of February, 1908, for the undermentioned Supplies and Services for the period of 12 months from 1st April, 1908:

1. MEAT.
2. HOSPITAL SUPPLIES AND MEDICAL COMFORTS.
3. GENERAL SUPPLIES AND PROVISIONS.
4. OIL, WICKS AND LAMP GLASS SUPPLIES.
5. COAL, COKE, WOOD AND CHARCOAL.
6. BARBERS SERVICES AND SHAVINGS.
7. WASHING.
8. TRANSPORT SERVICES (Supplies of Launches, Junks, Coolies, etc.)
9. FORAGE.

Forms of Tender and any particulars can be obtained on application to this Office, personally or by letter, addressed to the Officer Commanding, Army Services Corps, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Tenders must be properly filled up, signed and dated, and no Tender will be noticed unless delivered upon the proper form at the Head Quarter Office by 12 noon on the above date. In a closed envelope marked "TENDER" on the outside.

The right to reject any or all Tenders is reserved.

HEAD QUARTER OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 150

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 510 (SPECIAL).
CHINA SEA.
SANTUO DISTRICT.
SPIDER ISLAND LIGHT ESTABLISHED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SPIDER ISLAND LIGHT was exhibited for the first time at sunset on the 16th January.

The illuminating apparatus is Dioptric, Occulting of the Fourth Order, showing a fixed White Light varied by an occulter every 15 seconds, thus:

Light 13 seconds.
Occulter 2 seconds.
The Lighthouse stands on the most Easterly islet off the North-east end of Spider Island, and the light, which is elevated 142 feet above the level of the sea, should be visible in clear weather at a distance of 17½ nautical miles.

The tower is an iron structure with a total height from base to lantern vane of 53 feet. The tower and dwellings are painted White.

APPROXIMATE POSITION:
Latitude 26° 31' 25" N.
Longitude 120° 4' 15" E.
W. FRED TYLER,
Coast Inspector, Office,
Shanghai, January 28, 1908. 152

'INDRA' LINE, LIMITED.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
CAPTAIN MACANALAN, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 25th February.

For Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 147

To-day's Advertisements

WANTED.
AN EUROPEAN OFFICE ASSISTANT, must be good Typist and with knowledge of Book-keeping. Apply by letter to
'ASBESTOS',
Care of 'China Mail' Office,
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 151

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THE Ocean Steamship

AUSTRIA,

Captain GILBERT, will be despatched

as above on or about MONDAY, the 24th

February.

This steamer has capital accommodation

for passengers, Electric Light and

carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For information as to Passage & Freight,

apply to
SANDER, WILDER, & CO.,
Agents,
Princes' Buildings,
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 146

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S

STEAMER SOOYTRA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-

named Vessel are hereby informed that

their Goods are being landed and

placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND

KOWLOON WAREHOUSE AND CONSIGNEES

GOWNS at Kowloon where each Consign-

ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and

delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here un-

less instructions are given to the contrary

before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd February,

at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance will be effected by the

Company unless the goods are insured by

the Consignee and the Company's representative

at an appointed hour. All claims must be

presented within ten days of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date they cannot

be recognized. No claims will be admitted

after the goods have left the Steamer.

E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 28, 1908. 145

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:-

For SWATOW, AMOY, FOOSHOW &

SHANGHAI.
Per Soha Maru, at 8 a.m., on Wednes-

day, the 29th Jan.

For QUANG-CHOW-VAN HOIHOW,
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG.
Per Soha Maru, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,

the 29th Jan.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CO-

LOMBO.
Per Soha Maru, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 27.

Zelen, German str., 4,980, F. Prosch,

Yokohama January 18, and Shanghai 20,

Mails and General.—MELBOURNE & CO.

Bubi, British str., 1,011, R. W. Almond,

Mails January 20, General.—SHEWAN,
Tomes & Co.

Vandula, German str., 2,642, Vahsel,

Shanghai January 24, General.—HAMBURG-
AMERICA LINE.

Stevonia, German str., 2,820, Koltze,

Hamburg and Singapore Jan. 21, General.
—HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Fukuro Maru, Japanese str., 1,940, H.

Sakamoto, Moji Jan. 21, Ocal.—Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha.

Hongkong, French str., 742, A. Corne-

lins, Haiphong and Hainan January 26,
General.—A. B. MARY.

Sunda, British str., 2,968, G. M. Mont-

ford, R.N.R., Yokohama Jan. 14, General.
—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Socotra, British str., 6,008, W. R. F.

Hickory, London Dec. 16, and Shanghai
Jan. 22, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Mefoo, Chinese str., 1,339, J. McArthur,

Shanghai Jan. 24, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Hilburg, German str., 6,009, M. Filler,

Shanghai January 25, General.—HAMBURG-
AMERICA LINE.

Kohai-chang, German steamer, 1,292, O.

Rosenfeld, Bangkok January 21, Risa.
—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Longgang, British steamer, 1,092, S. J.

Payne, Amoy January 27, General.—
JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO.

Hingta, British steamer, 2,260, W. R.

Brown, Kobe January 23, General.—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Chengsing, British str., from Canton.

Kasing, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

January 28.

Rhannavi, for Shanghai.

Haiman, for Swatow.

Signal, for Tientsin.

Haitan, for Haikow.

Primo, for Singapore and London.

Jennie, for Singapore and New York.

Fitzpatrick, for Bangkok.

Meyon, for Canton.

Fooking, for Singapore.

Amiria, for Takao.

Tsun for Manila.

Washington, U.S. gunboat, for Manila.

CLEARED.

Zieten, for Europe, &c.

Amara, for Saigon.

Vandula, for Singapore and Hamburg.

Arlia Maru, for Surabaya.

Socotra, for Shanghai.

Chengsing, for Swatow.

Soha Maru, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Zieten, for Hongkong, from Yokohama, 1st class, from Kobe, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jenkins, Messrs J. Wood, George Lee, James Oliver, Rodriguez, and E. Davis; from Shanghai, Messrs G. Johnston and servant, Schultz, F. A. H. Williams, A. Wasserfall, K. E. Kadonias and servant, J. A. Hages and servant, A. L. Smith, Messrs J. W. W. Smith, Mr. George Dalles, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Peter Galdi, Mrs. Harder and child, Mr. F. Shown, Mr. Albert M. Chae, Mr. R. Singer, Messrs H. Bundy, H. F. Huns, C. G. Sall, and E. Vossell.

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STEAMSHIP PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUFFICIENT THROUGH DEUTER.)

Acaia, Ningbo, Dec. 20; Bengol,

Pinguey, Tienachua, Nera, Bin-

tang, 24; Bombay Maru, Tem-

tang, 24; Muscovy, Hohenfeld, Tamaru

Maru, 31; Nubia, Drumgith, For-

cester, January 4; Agamemnon, Olen-

loch, Mendana, Indragumbar, Sangam-

bia, Yunan, Glamorgan, Brailita

7; Alphi, Acaia Maru, 10; Ben-

lucera, Longor, Syria, Oahay,

14; Loret, Sachsen, Meinam, 17;

Mantia, Monmouthshire, Sutuma, Pa-

troude, Antiochia, 21; Banchu, Pome-

kanagawa, Maru, at Sambia, Falsing,

Pathan, Tonkin, Segovia, Tamba Maru,

York, 24.

Mails.

The P. M. S. S. China sailed from Yoko-

hama on the 20th January, and is due

to arrive at this port, via Kobe,

Nagasaki, and Manila, on the 29th

January.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer Ernest Simon,

with the Express Mail of the 3rd

January left Singapore on Monday

the 27th January, at 3 p.m., and may

be expected here on or about Monday,

the 30th February. This steamer brings

replies to letters despatched from

Hongkong on the 30th November.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. Kleist, carrying

the German Mails with dates from

Berlin of the 3rd January, left Co-

lombo on Tuesday, the 1st February, a.m.,

and may be expected here on or

about Saturday, the 1st February, a.m.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. Prinz Sigismund

left Sydney on Tuesday, the

14th January, at 4 p.m., and may be

expected here on or about Thursday,

the 6th February.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India

left Yokohama on Thursday afternoon,

the 23rd January, for Victoria and

Vancouver.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of China

left Vancouver on Saturday morning,

the 27th January, for Hongkong, via

usual Ports of Call.

Steamers Expected.

The J. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kwangtung left

Shanghai for this port on 24th Jan.,

and may be expected here on or about

the 28th January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Moyori Maru (Bombay

Line) left Singapore for this port on the

22nd January, and is expected

here on the 29th January.

The s.s. Gregory Apoor from Calcutta, left

Singapore on Saturday afternoon, the

25th January, and may be expected

here on or about the 31st January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Sudo Maru (European

Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji

and Shanghai on the 25th January,

and is expected here on the 30th Jan.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Manchuria left